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| | United States of America | Mr. Brencick |

## Agenda

The situation in Burundi

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*The meeting was called to order at 12.20 p.m.*

**Adoption of the agenda**

*The agenda was adopted.*

**The situation in Burundi**

**The President**: I should like to inform the Council that I have received a letter from the representative of Burundi in which he requests to be invited to participate in the consideration of the item on the Council's agenda. In conformity with the usual practice, I propose, with the consent of the Council, to invite that representative to participate in the consideration, without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

*At the invitation of the President, Mr. Nkingiye (Burundi) took a seat at the Council table.*

**The President**: The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Following consultations among members of the Security Council, I have been authorized to make the following statement on behalf of the Council.

(*spoke in French*)

"The Security Council acknowledged the election of Pierre Nkurunziza as President of the Republic of Burundi, on 19 August 2005. This vote marks the welcome final step of the transitional process in Burundi. The conclusion of this transitional process represents an important milestone for the future of Burundi as well as the Great Lakes region as a whole.

"The Security Council pays tribute to the spirit of peace and dialogue demonstrated by the Burundian people throughout the transitional period and commends them for their encouraging participation in the electoral process. The Council calls on all parties to respect the will of the Burundian people, the elected Government and the commitments agreed during the transitional process. It encourages the new authorities to continue on the course of stability and national reconciliation and to promote social concord. It reaffirms in this regard that it is essential to bring an end to the climate of impunity.

"The Security Council commends the critical contribution the Regional Initiative for Peace in Burundi, the African Union and the United Nations Operation in Burundi (ONUB) made to the peace process. It calls upon all international partners of Burundi, including the States of the Regional Initiative and the main donors, to remain committed and encourages them to agree with the Burundian authorities on the most appropriate framework to coordinate their support to reforms currently under way and to the consolidation of peace."

(*spoke in English*)

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The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda.

*The meeting rose at 12.30 p.m.*